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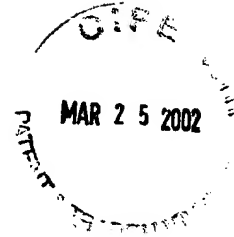
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This facsimile is responsive to the Request for Substitute Papers dated March 18, 2002. The enclosed papers are complete and accurate copies of the Declaration and Submittal thereof, check in the amount of \$130, and copy of Notice to File Missing Parts that were filed on November 6, 2001. These documents arrived at the USPTO on January 24, 2002, according to the stamped returned postcard and the notice itself.

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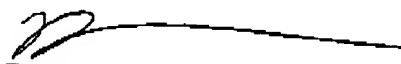
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A check in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee and the surcharge under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e). Any additional fee or credit may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

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As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, Post Office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **FURNACE ASSEMBLY FOR HEATING AN OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE PREFORM**.

The specification of which (check only one item below):

- ☐ is attached hereto
- ☒ was filed as United States Application Serial No. 09/941,383 on 8/28/01 and was amended on (if applicable)
- ☐ was filed as PCT international application number , on , and was amended under PCT Article 19 on (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, on the same subject matter, having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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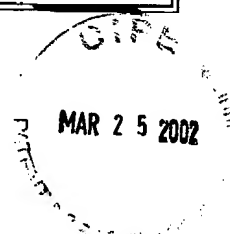
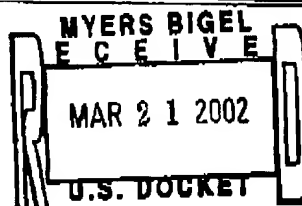
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The papers filed on 01/24/02 are no longer in condition to become part of the permanent records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) for this application (37 CFR 1.52(a)) due to the United States Postal Service sanitization process.

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